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Errico et al.

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For: INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE

HAVING AN ANGLED PERIMETER

FORMANIPULATION USING ASURGICAL

TOOL

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-21, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: